Setting up of Laboratories to Test Ayurvedic Medicines

† 2692. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA:
SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to set up laboratories to improve the quality of Ayurvedic medicines in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount likely to be spent on setting up these laboratories by Government; and

(d) the places where these laboratories are likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI):(a) to (d) Government has set up the Pharmacopoeial Laboratory of Indian Medicine (PLIM) and Homoeopathic Pharamacopoeial Laboratory (HPL) at Ghaziabad for performing statutory testing of Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani& Homoeopathic medicines. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Department of AYUSH has a Centrally Sponsored Scheme under which upgradation grants are provided to the State Drug Testing Laboratories for upgrading their infrastructure for proper testing of Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani & Homoeopathic medicines. So far 25 State Drug Testing Laboratories in the country have been financially assisted to the tune of Rs. 23.87 crore Government have also recognized 16 private drug testing laboratories for testing of Ayurvedic, Siddha and Unani medicines in addition all private laboratories having NABL/ GLP accreditation have been authorized by the Government to do testing of Ayurvedic, Siddha, Unani & Homoeopathic medicines.

Leprosy Eradication

2693. SHRI RAMAMUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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